

Citylight Church Omaha Marriage Conference 2021
Discussion Questions

God's Design and Desire for Marriage w/ Joe Julian

- After this talk, did your definition of marriage change? If so, how?
- For Marrieds: How have you personally strayed from God's design for marriage and made it about you or your personal happiness?
- For Engaged: In what ways will you be tempted to make marriage about yourself?
- How has your significant other already helped to shape you into the image of Jesus?

Moving from Conflict to Peace and Unity w/ Brenda Newton

- How was conflict handled in the family you grew up in?
- What are other obstacles you can identify in your relationship that may make pursuing peace and unity in your marriage a challenge?
- What aspects of the gospel/God's way can help you move through those obstacles toward peace and unity in your marriage?

Don't Waste Your Marriage w/ Patrick Chandler

- What are some ways you are tempted or have wasted time, talent, and treasure in your marriage?
- What have you done or can you do to keep mission focus in your marriage?
- When you think about taking action to not waste your marriage, what is one action step you can take to be a good and faithful steward?

Struggling and Suffering Well Together w/ Ben Hamilton

- What idols of comfort or escape have you been most drawn to when struggle or suffering ensues? Is there something you need to confess and repent of with your significant other and before God?
- What do you think shame's role has been in the struggles and suffering you have gone through?
- How have you engaged or missed the practice of slowing down and lament? How can you engage in this together during tough times?
- How does Jesus' triumph and despising of shame empower you to despise your shame?
- Do we feel we are being vulnerable and known before God? With one another? In community? How can we take steps together?

Cultivating Intimacy w/ Chris and Kristin Hruska

- 3 Fold Holistic View of Intimacy
 - Emotional – being present to the person, seeking to know and understand them wherever they are, and for who they are, and who God is remaking them to be

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- Spiritual – being a spiritual brother/sister to your spouse, to walk hand-in-hand toward the Redeemer with eyes full of faith that He is making you both new
- Physical – dating one another, sex, shared activities, and enjoying all God’s good gifts together
- What were some of your assumptions about intimacy, and did you gain a deeper understanding of it? If so, how?
- How have expectations shifted over the course of your relationship and life’s seasons? If engaged, talk about how you see they could shift.
- How can we be intentional about pursuing holistic intimacy? What areas need work?